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AT THE SPRING REGULAR SESSION OF

Two Thousand and Twenty-One

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A Bill

A Bill to amend the Student Government Bylaws and Rules of Order

Enacted,

1 THE PROPOSED LSU STUDENT GOVERNMENT CONSITUTION
2 READS AS FOLLOWS:

3 The following with ~~striketthrough~~ will be deleted; The following with red text
4 will be inserted.

5 BYLAWS ARTICLE II: Executive Branch Affairs

6 ~~§4. Executive Branch Charter~~

7 ~~Section 4.~~ Except as otherwise provided for in the Bylaws, the Executive
8 Branch shall be organized by Executive Charter, subject to approval by a
9 simple majority vote of the Student Senate.

10 (A) This Executive Charter shall list the various Executive Departments
11 and the positions under them, including any positions which are to
12 receive salary under the Student Government Budget.

13 (B) This Executive Charter must be passed before any Executive Branch
14 office appointments can be approved.

15 (C) An Executive Director of Finance and a Commissioner of Elections
16 must be included in the Executive Branch Charter.

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18 **~~§5. Executive Department Appointments~~**

19 ~~Section 5. All non-elected members of the Executive Branch shall be~~
20 ~~appointed by the President, subject to the simple majority approval of the~~
21 ~~Student Senate.~~

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23 **§ 4. Executive Departments**

24 *Section 4. The executive departments are:*

25 Department of Academic Affairs

26 Department of Athletics

27 Department of Campus Affairs & Sustainability

28 Department of Communications

29 Department of Community Outreach

30 Department of Disability Services

31 Department of Diversity

32 Department of Governmental Relations

33 Department of Health & Wellness

34 Department of Justice

35 Department of Non-Traditional Students

36 Department of Photography & Videography

37 Department of Programming

38 Department of Student Auxiliaries & Services

39 Department of Student Entertainment

40 Department of Student Outreach

41 Department of Transportation & Safety

42 Department of Treasury

43 Department of Veteran & Military Student Affairs

44 Department of We're Committed

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46 **§ 5. Principal Officers**

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47 *Section 5.* Each department shall be led by a principal officer or head. Each
48 head shall be known as a Secretary, except for the Department of Justice
49 which is headed by the Attorney General. These principal officers shall be
50 appointed by the President, except for the Secretary of Treasury who shall be
51 appointed by the Vice President, with the advice and consent of two thirds of
52 the Senate present and voting. All principal officers shall not be
53 compensated.

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55 § 6. Executive Cabinet

56 *Section 6.* The principal officers of each executive department along with the
57 President shall constitute the Executive Cabinet. The Cabinet shall serve as
58 an advisory body to the President on the matters respectively handled by
59 each department. The Cabinet shall convene at least weekly during each
60 Semester. Minutes shall be taken at each meeting and published in the
61 Student Government Register.

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63 § 7. Subordinate Appointments

64 *Section 7.* All subordinates to the heads of the executive departments shall be
65 appointed by the President with the advice and consent of two thirds of the
66 Senate present and voting. Each subordinate serving directly under a
67 principal officer shall be known as a Deputy Secretary. Any subordinates
68 under Deputy Secretaries may be known as seen fit by the President or the
69 Secretary of that department. All subordinate appointments shall not be
70 compensated.

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72 § 8. Assistance and Services for the President

73 *Section 8.* The President is authorized to appoint administrative officers and
74 assistants with the advice and consent of two thirds of the Senate present
75 and voting. These officers shall perform such official duties as the President
76 may prescribe. They shall not be compensated.

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78 § 9. Assistance and Services for the Vice President

79 *Section 9.* The Vice President is authorized to appoint administrative officers
80 and assistants with the advice and consent of two thirds of the Senate
81 present and voting. These officers shall perform such official duties as the
82 Vice President may prescribe. They shall not be compensated.

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84 LEGISLATIVE RULES OF ORDER CHAPTER 3: Legislation

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86 Rule 3.14. Consideration of Presidential Appointments within Student
87 Government

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- 89 (A) All Presidential Appointments within Student Government must be
90 assigned to a Concurrent Resolution authored by a Senator selected by
91 the Speaker of the Senate.
92 (B) The Appointment or the President and or Vice President of the
93 Student Body, in the case that the appointment is unavailable, must
94 be interviewed by the Committee on Rules or the Temporary
95 Committee on Rules.
96 (C) This Concurrent Resolution cannot be amended.
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98 Rule 6.10. Consideration of Appointments

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100 Rules 6.10 shall refer all Concurrent Resolutions pertaining to Executive
101 Branch appointments within Student Government appointments.

- 102 (A) The chair of the committee shall introduce the appointee, including
103 the position they are being appointed to.
104 (B) The appointee shall give opening comments followed by questions
105 from the committee.
106 (C) Any member of the committee may then be recognized for debate.
107 a. The appointee shall be allowed to respond to each debate if
108 they so choose.
109 (D) The appointee may then ask questions to the committee and give
110 closing comments.
111 (E) Once debate has ended or there is a motion for previous question, the
112 committee will proceed to a roll call vote.
113 a. If more committee members vote in favor of the appointment
114 than those opposed, the Concurrent Resolution shall be placed
115 into Unfinished Business at the next Regular Session Senate
116 Meeting.
117 b. If more committee members vote in opposition of the
118 appointment than those in favor, the Concurrent Resolution
119 shall not be considered at the next Senate Meeting.
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121 Rule 6.16. Temporary Committees

- 122 (A) During the annual Spring Organizational Session, the Speaker of the
123 Senate may appoint no fewer than seven (7), but no more than eleven

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- 124 (11), Senators to one and only one (1) of the following temporary
125 committees:
126 a. TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND
127 APPROPRIATIONS: To this committee shall be referred the
128 Student Government Budget for the new administration, the
129 allocation of Corporate Sponsorship funds, as well as any
130 legislation dealing with finance.
131 b. TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON RULES: To this committee
132 shall be referred all Executive Branch appointments, Election
133 Commission, and the Judicial appointments made by the
134 Student Body President and/or Vice President and approved by
135 the Student Senate, as well as any legislation dealing with
136 rules.
137 (B) These temporary committees shall meet between the first and last
138 meeting of the Spring Organizational Session in order to hear and
139 approve all referred legislation and appointments.
140 (C) The Speaker pro tempore shall be the Chair of the Temporary
141 Committee on Rules.
142 (D) The Speaker shall appoint the Chair of the Temporary Committee on
143 Budget and Appropriations.
144 (E) Rules in this Chapter regarding absences shall not apply to
145 Temporary Committees.
146 (F) The membership of these committees shall be dissolved at the
147 conclusion of the Spring Organizational Session.
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149 THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A TWO-
150 THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND
151 SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR
152 PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT
153 AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE
154 DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

APPROVED:


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MARINA COLE
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

DATE: 4/7/21


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STONE COX
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE: 4/8/21